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**Track Elevation.**  
The Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad Company, through its engineering department, is planning improvement work for 1906 along the Morris and Essex division and its branch lines. At a recent meeting of the Madison Council a letter was received from Chief Engineer Bush of the railroad company, in which he stated that his company was arranging for the work of 1906, so far as the matter of material was concerned, and that he would like to be advised if the people of Madison were considering the question of elevating the tracks through Madison. Mr. Bush said he desired to pass upon the work, so that the construction might be commenced during the coming year.

**Arrested Telephone Linemen.**  
A gang of men in the employ of the New York and New Jersey Telephone Company, started to erect poles at Bloomfield avenue and Parkway to Glen Ridge on Tuesday, and Chief of Police John A. Brown of this city, who appeared on the scene and ordered them to "desist." They were inclined to treat Chief Brown's order with contempt, and kept on with the work.

Chief Brown, arrested, they returned, Roderick McLean, and Peter Mulligan and John Witzert, two of the linemen. In spite of their remonstrances they were kept at police headquarters until Recorder William E. Smith arrived from New York. He then fined each \$30, which was paid by a representative of the company.

The Borough Council had refused to grant permission to the company to erect any more poles along Bloomfield avenue, and the company had agreed not to do so.

Chief Brown's action is commended on all sides, as the poles have long been an eyesore to the people of the borough. It is expected that steps will be taken soon to have all wires placed under ground.

**Complaints Against Usury.**  
Usurious rates of interest are being exacted by loan concerns in Newark and other cities of New Jersey, in direct violation of law, and no effort is put forth to indict them. Open to indictment under two laws of the State, the usury law and the law recently promulgated by the Supreme Court that they could be brought into court for keeping a disorderly house, no step has been taken to protect the community against these Shylocks of finance, who do nothing to build up the material prosperity of the State, but who thrive on the misfortune of others.

Numerous companies in this city and State are lending money at the rate of 6 per cent, a month or 72 per cent a year. Agents are carrying on their nefarious practice as representatives of large syndicates organized in New York and Chicago, in Jersey City, Hoboken, Paterson and Newark. They attract little attention because they never appeal to the courts for protection, preferring to lose than have their methods aired in the courts. Threats are sufficient in most cases to insure payment. —Commerce and Finance.

**Carpet Cleaning.**  
Now is the time to clean carpets. If you want your carpets taken up, cleaned and relaid, send word to D. Douglass, No. 9 Park street, Montclair. Mr. Douglass has had years of experience in carpet cleaning, and has a large patronage in this town, Glen Ridge and Montclair. Those intending to move can have their carpets taken up, cleaned and relaid on short notice. The work will be well and promptly done. —Adv.

## LINCOLN'S FOREFATHERS.

## A Strain of Tragedy Runs Through Their History.

Abraham Lincoln's forefathers were pioneers—men who left their homes to open up the wilderness and make the way plain for others to follow them. For 170 years, ever since the first American Lincoln came from England to Massachusetts, in 1633, they had been moving slowly westward as new settlements were made in the forest. They faced solitude, privation and all the dangers and hardships that beset men who take up their homes where only beasts and wild men have had homes before, but they continued to press steadily forward, though they lost fortune and sometimes even life itself in their westward progress.

Back in Pennsylvania and New Jersey some of the Lincolns had been men of wealth and influence. In Kentucky, where the future president was born on Feb. 12, 1809, his parents lived in deep poverty. Their home was a small log cabin of the roughest kind, and nothing seemed more unlikely than that their child, coming into the world in such humble surroundings, was destined to be the greatest man of his time. True to his race, he also was to be a pioneer, not indeed, like his ancestors, a leader into new woods and unexplored fields, but a pioneer of a nobler and grander sort, directing the thoughts of men ever toward the right and leading the American people through difficulties and dangers and a mighty war to peace and freedom.

The story of this wonderful man begins and ends with a tragedy, for his grandfather, also named Abraham, was killed by a shot from an Indian's rifle while peacefully at work with his three sons on the edge of their frontier clearing. Eighty-one years later the president himself met death by an assassin's bullet. The murderer of one was a savage of the forest; the murderer of the other that far more cruel thing, a savage of civilization. —St. Nicholas.

## FLATTERING RULERS.

## Their Weak Points Pass Unnoticed.

## Napoleon's Marksmanship.

Rulers have always been flattered, from Canute's time downward, it being, it would seem, an unwritten law that a monarch's weak points should pass unrecognized. Napoleon III, once said, in consoling a friend who chanced to be shooting with him for his poor marksmanship:

"You need not fret about it. The emperor (by which he meant his uncle, the great Napoleon I) was even a worse shot than you are. The only time they put a gun in his hand he killed a poor bound and went away thinking he had killed a stag."

"In those days the stag, whenever brought to bay, was left for the emperor to kill. One day, however, the emperor was not to be found, and the master of the staghounds finished the animal with his knife. Just then the emperor came in sight."

"They hurriedly got the dead stag on its legs, propping it up with branches, etc., and handed the emperor the 'carabine of honor' as it was called. The emperor fired, and of course the stag tumbled over, but at the same time there was a piteous whine from one of the hounds, which had been shot through the head."

"The emperor wheeled around, unconscious of the mischief he had done, saying to one of the aids-de-camp, 'After all, I am not as bad a shot as they pretend!'"

## HOW A BADGER WORKS.

## Can Excavate Almost as Rapidly as With a Spade.

During the day the badger sleeps deep in his burrow, far out on our western plains and prairies, and at twilight he starts forth on a night's foraging. He is a dreaded enemy of the prairie dog and the ground squirrel, and when he begins to excavate for one nothing but solid rock or death can stop him.

With the long, blunt claws of his fore feet he loosens up the dirt. Dig, dig, dig! He works as though his life depended on it; now scratching out the sides of the hole, then turning on his back to work overhead.

At first he throws the dirt out between his hind legs, but soon he is too far down for that, so he banks it up back of him, then turns about and using his chest and forward parts as a pusher shoves it out before him.

He works with such rapidity that it would be somewhat difficult for a man to overtake him with a spade. —St. Nicholas.

## Killing a Robin.

There are persons at the present day—and not all old women either—who believe that killing a robin will bring bad luck. According to ancient belief, the storm cloud was a huge bird. The Arabians represented his wings as measuring 10,000 fathoms. This bird lived on worms; the latter being the streaks of lightning accompanying storms. The Germans remodeled the fiction by creating the god Thor, whose bird was the robin. Consequently to kill a robin first meant death by lightning, then bad luck.

## The Early Boom.

"When I was a boy," said the rather vain person, "everybody said I was going to be president of the United States."

"Yes," answered the seasoned politician. "But I can simply illustrate my argument that it isn't safe to start a boom too far ahead of election." —Washington Star.

George L. Dohson has resigned his position as consul general at Hangchow, China, after but a few weeks. He says Hangchow is the dirtiest city on earth. The Chinese don't bury their dead, sometimes even when they die from cholera, and he is coming back.

## The Chosen People.

The following poem was sent to and printed in the New York Times with the request that the payment for it be sent to the Jewish Defense Association Fund:

Thy chosen people, Lord! Aye, and for what? Chosen to bear the world's contempt and scorn; Chosen to cringe and cower, obtrusive and pitied. Only to win the right to live, being born; Chosen to bow the neck and bend the knee. To hold the tongue when other tongues revile. To bear the burdens, bond-slaves even when free!

Give cheerfully, be apt upon and amble: Chosen for death, for torture and the cross. While the slow centuries move, they say, toward light!

Lord, from the horrors of this endless night Let us go free!—another people choose!

M. W. P.

The following is in reply to the poem of M. W. P.:

Jehovah's choice, seed of the "friend of God," I Chosen, not for their sakes, but for his own. In keeping of his promise to their sire.

Their human will left free, he gave them choice 3

Of blessing or of cursing, life or death, 4 Proclaiming in awful state from mountain sides: Life, in the love and service of the Lord. With all Jerusalem's benedictions to enjoy; Or death, a living death—forsaking God.

The people, in acceptance of God's word, To Mount Zion's curse said:—Amen. And thus their choice for their forsaking God, By God have been forsaken, as he said—

"The Lord shall scatter thee among all people." 6

"And as these nations shall then find no ease." 7

"And thy life, shall hang in doubt before thee!" 8

Then in their anguish, hear their bitter cry— In the morning, "Would God it were even. And at even, 'Would God it were morning.'"

Standing miracle of truth divine, To chosen people! Have ye not your prayer? "Let us go free, another people choose."

Yes! "God hath not cast away his people." 9 "I will gather you out of all countries, 9 And bring you into your own land." 10

Miss own will I bring again from the depths 11 Of the sea. Out of Zion shall go forth the law, 12 And the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. Hallelujah! day!

1. Deut. 27-9. James 2-23.

2. Genesis 12-23.

3. Deut. 1-27.

4. Deut. 28-44.

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9. Rom. 11-24.

10. Ps. 124-24.

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12. Isa. 40-40.

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By order of the Board of Directors,

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BLOOMFIELD, December 15, 1905.

## Empire Theatre

Bertie Gailand will come to the Empire Theatre, Newark, on Monday, December 25, for a week's engagement in David Belasco's charming comedy of "Sweet Kitty Bellairs," commencing with a matinee Christmas Day. The play had a run of over one hundred nights at the Belasco Theatre in New York.

While Miss Gailand is the newest of the Belasco stars, it is interesting to note that her appearance under her new management will be to a play that was originally written for her, but for which, at the time of the first presentation, her services could not be secured. This play is offering Miss Gailand a better part than she has yet had, and absolutely nullifying her unusual talents.

The play is founded on Egerton Castle's book "The Bath Comedy." It is said to be a quality pretty, and filled with interest from the beginning of the first to the last act. Miss Gailand as "Miss Bellairs," a young widow and the reigning belle of Bath, has opportunities afforded her to display to best advantage her charm of manner and flashing wit. While comedy is the prevailing spirit of the play, now and then there is some serious work which Miss Gailand, it is believed, makes the most of.

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## Dragon Controlled by Telephone.

Our Chinese friend will be interested in the way foreign devils control dragons. In the opera "Siegfried" a dragon is an important feature of the entertainment. This opera was rendered at the Metropolitan Opera House in New York recently. The inside of the dragon, which is made of canvas and papier-mache, holds two boys, who are supposed to guide the beast's movements in accordance with the music. They are rarely equal to doing this correctly, even after rehearsal. The performance the other night is said to have been given without a single stage rehearsal, as no time could be found for the preparation of the opera. It was, therefore, more than ever necessary to have the occupants of "Siegfried" inside kept up to their business. The stage manager decided to install a telephone in the beast. It connected with the opera house switchboard. On one end was Herr Credler, the stage manager, and at the other end two receivers strapped to the heads of the two boys, who received momentarily directions as to what they should do. The dragon under the circumstances covered himself with credit. —Telephone

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By FANNIE HAESE

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Jane came slowly down the stairs, a pale and startled look on her face. "What's happened?" she asked.

"I'm sorry I've kept you waiting," she said, "but the children were so big that I couldn't get them out of the house. I've been waiting for you, and now I've got to go."

"I'm sorry," she said, "but I've got to go. I've been waiting for you, and now I've got to go."

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